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POLICE APPEAL TO HELP TRACK DOWN BIKE YOBS

Police looking for yobs who are riding off-road bikes in an anti-social way

Report by **Henry James**

Residents say noise nuisance problem is getting worse

POLICE have issued an appeal to the Skelmersdale community to help them find the yobs who are using off-road bikes in an anti-social way and causing a noise nuisance in the town.

They have reported an increase in complaints of off-road bikes being ridden in an anti-social way, and there has also been reports of bikes being stolen.

Police have said the bikes can be dangerous if they are misused.

A Skelmersdale resident contacted The Champion to claim that mopeds are being stolen and then converted to off-road bikes.

Sergeant Craig Appleton from Lancashire Police said: "The thefts of the bikes and the off-road bikes being used in an anti-social way may be connected, but there are no hard facts to substantiate that.

"We need the intelligence and we would appeal for people with any information to come forward.

"We would also ask people to be vigilant. We have had motorbike thefts in the area and we want to ask people to keep their bikes secure.

"Anyone with any information should call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111, or ring 101. All calls will be dealt with the strictest of confidence."

The woman, who does not want to named, claimed a gang is going around and stealing mopeds and then using a garage to convert the bikes into off-road machines. Her son's moped was stolen last October and she believes she has seen it being ridden around the estates.

She claimed: "A gang is going round with pneumatic bolt cutters and stealing mopeds and then changing them to off-road bikes.

"My son's moped was taken and we have seen it since and it now looks more like an off-road bike. The bike was being ridden by a youth and it had a girl on it. We were so shocked to see that young girl on the back – as the bike is only made for one person. If these people don't kill themselves, they are going to kill someone else.

"These bikes are being ridden up and down the estates. The problem starts at 4.30pm-5pm and then goes on to late at night. The bikes have holes in their exhausts to make them sound more powerful.

"We know someone on Ormskirk Road who had their bike taken and a burnt out bike was found by Glenburn school.

"There is no point in having another bike as it would just get robbed again. The bike cost £900."

Concourse donates to Mayor's charity appeal

THE Concourse Shopping Centre in Skelmersdale has presented the Mayor of West Lancashire with a cheque for £571.96 for her charity appeal after shoppers got their skates on at Christmas.

The donation comes after London & Cambridge Properties, which owns and manages the shopping centre, donated 50p for every skater that enjoyed the indoor ice rink in the run up to Christmas.

Gary Mitchell, centre manager, said: "The ice rink proved to be really popular over Christmas, with more than 1,110 people, young and old, enjoying the attraction. We are delighted that we are able to present the Mayor with a cheque for her charities."

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MP seeks answers over CCG decision to privatise urgent care services

ROSIE Cooper has written to health bosses at West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) seeking answers over the decision to privatise urgent care services.

The MP says that since the announcement that urgent care services - Ormskirk and Skelmersdale walk-in centres, out-of-hours GP services and acute visiting services - will from April 2017 be provided by one of two private health care providers, she has received complaints from local GPs and health service patients.

In a media statement announcing the decision to only allow two private providers to compete for the contract, chief nurse for West Lancashire CCG, Claire Heneghan is quoted as saying: "We have listened to what our local community and clinical staff have told us." That claim is disputed by local clinicians and residents.

Rosie Cooper said that according to patients the CCG had not raised this issue at any meetings during 2015 and had also failed to advertise their 2016 meetings schedule.

Ms Cooper understands there was a formal challenge to the group's decision on urgent care services by OWLS, the GP out-of-hours service which was dismissed quoting European procurement rules as the reason for continuing down the road of privatisation of NHS services.

The MP said: "I cannot seem to find a local GP or nurse with some level of involvement in these urgent care services who has been consulted, despite the comments made by the chief nurse.

"As each day passes there are more and more questions which need answers about how West Lancashire now faces private companies taking over vital local urgent care services."

The CCG announced on February 25 that they had been liasing with potential providers of community health services and some elements of urgent care services in West Lancs.

Following an evaluation process the group excluded Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust at the initial stage.

On community health services further discussions will be held with two out-of-area NHS providers, Lancashire Care Foundation Trust and Bridgewater Community Healthcare, and two private healthcare providers, Optum Health Solutions (UK) and Virgin Care Services.

On urgent care services only the two private providers were invited for further discussions.

A spokesperson for NHS West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group said: "As local healthcare commissioners and as a membership organisation made up of local GP practices, we have met and continue to meet our legal duty to involve our stakeholders (including local GPs, councillors and MPs) in any procurement process.

"This process is subject to national procurement legislation which requires CCGs to enable all NHS and private providers to compete, and only proceed if they are successful following evaluation against set criteria.

"We would be more than happy to have a discussion with the MP and will respond once she has been in touch with the CCG. We also continue to welcome views from the public and invite anyone interested to get in touch with us directly."

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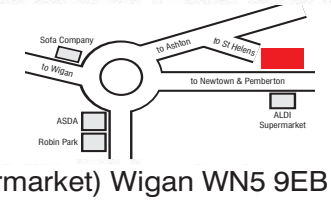

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Age UK in desperate race to find £12,000 to save pensioner services

Exclusive by **Danielle Thompson**

Derby Ward Councillor Adrian Owens presents Age UK Lancs operations director Donna Studholme with a donation at the Wellbeing Centre

AN URGENT fund-raising drive is being launched to raise the £12,000 Age UK desperately needs to keep providing non-funded services for pensioners in West Lancashire – including lunch clubs, activity groups and daytime support.

A spokesperson for Age UK Lancashire told the Champion that they had not been given an annual grant this year from West Lancashire Borough Council – but that they were hoping to be given the annual grant in 12 months' time.

Age UK Lancashire needs to raise £50,000 this year to help to pay for non-funded services including daytime support and activity groups across the county, including services in West Lancs.

Crisis talks are also being held this week to try to keep open the charity's eight West Lancs lunch clubs in Ormskirk, Tarleton and Skelmersdale open - which are currently due to be axed on Friday, 1 April due to central government cuts affecting Lancashire County Council's 2016 budget.

One devastated Champion reader, who does not want to be named, was sent a letter last week from Gary Heron, resource centre manager for Age UK Lancashire - which has been seen by the Champion - explaining that Lancashire County Council had ended the lunch club funding due to budget cuts. In the letter, Gary Heron stated: "Since then we have been scrutinising our budgets to see if there was any way that we could mange to subsidise the eight clubs ourselves from our limited resources." The charity will be working with volunteers and members this week to discuss the possible ways that the clubs can continue.

A spokesperson for the charity has confirmed that the Wellbeing Centre on Moorgate in Ormskirk will continue to operate despite funding cuts.

David Ward, promotions manager said: "Our wellbeing centre is a great facility and we have many visitors throughout the week. It really is an excellent hub for older people in Ormskirk. The funding cuts came as a shock but we hope with the support of the local community we can keep the centre going. We plan on doing some fundraising in the local community and are also looking for volunteers to help us. Community spirit is what's needed and the people of Ormskirk never let us down."

Derby Ward Councillor Adrian Owens recently paid a visit to the Wellbeing Centre on Moorgate to give a personal donation and show his support for the charity. He is currently helping to set up collections and encouraging other local activities to help raise funds.

To help or to find out more about the services that the centre provides contact 0300 303 1234 or drop in at the Wellbeing Centre to speak to the team.

Botched bank raid ends in dual car blaze drama

Champ photographer catches moment car goes up in flames as unknown raiders make their escape

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

The BMW ablaze outside the bank on Station Road

AN ATTEMPTED bank robbery created chaos in Hesketh Bank on Tuesday, 22 March when intruders set fire to two vehicles before escaping empty-handed.

Lancashire Constabulary officers were called out at 9.10am to reports of a robbery at the HSBC bank on Station Road.

The offenders had made their escape after abandoning and setting ablaze two vehicles.

One, a dark-coloured BMW, was left flaming next to the bank's doorway while the other car was believed to have been found burning on Fermor Road.

A spokesperson for HSBC said: "A male masked intruder smashed through the door at 9.10am before the bank was due to open at 9.30am, with a rock or piece of paving slab.

"A female member of staff was servicing the ATM at the time but she was uninjured and the robbery was unsuccessful, with the intruder taking nothing."

Police enquiries are ongoing.

The former Digmoor Sports Centre prior to its demolition

Development orders will 'simplify' the process for housing firms

Report by **Henry James**

PLANS which would enable hundreds of homes to be built in Skelmersdale are a step closer after last week's cabinet meeting on Tuesday, March 15.

At the meeting it was agreed to pass Local Development Orders at the site of the former Digmoor Sports Centre, at Findon and Delph Clough, which it is hoped "will simplify planning arrangements".

The West Lancashire Local Plan has highlighted the need for building at least 500 new homes within the Skelmersdale Town Centre Strategic Development Site and at least 2,100 in Skelmersdale and Up Holland.

The council and Homes and Communities Agency want to see three sites which are part of the Town Centre Development Agreement with St Modwen "brought forward for housing development".

Findon is a brownfield site and is owned by HCA; Delf Clough a HCA-owned Greenfield site and the former Digmoor Sports Centre site which is a council-owned brownfield site.

After passing the LDOs the council has that the call-in is not appropriate for this item as this matter is one where "urgent action" is required.

Delegated authority has been granted to the Director of Development and Regeneration at the council to carry out and approve conformity checks for development proposals submitted in accordance with Local Development Orders.

In a press statement last November the council said that the proposed LDOs "will simplify planning arrangements by granting permitted development rights associated with the delivery of residential development on the sites. This will encourage the building of homes on these sites by making the planning process for these three sites more flexible and streamlined, helping to reduce costs and timescales and enable construction to start quickly."

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Residents attend meeting to discuss bus and flooding concerns

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

MORE than 130 residents attended a meeting in Burscough to discuss the possible future effects on the area of restructured bus services and potential flooding.

Chaired by Burscough parish councillor David Hardisty, the meeting, held at the Stanley Club, was called to address concerns prompted by Lancashire County Council's recent decision to withdraw subsidies from a number of bus services and the widespread problems in West Lancashire caused by storms Desmond and Eva in December and January.

Following the meeting, Councillor Hardisty said: "There has been a great deal of concern expressed by local people to the parish council about the proposal to withdraw subsidies from the 2A, 12A, 3A and Chorley services which could result in these being lost.

"When this was originally mooted, Burscough Parish Council feared it could have a devastating effect on local people particular the elderly, who could be isolated, and young people who travel to Skelmersdale to attend college.

"A decision was made to put aside a sum of £25,000 which equates to 7p per week per household to try to maintain a locally run service.

"Stagecoach have decided to continue to run the 2A from Monday to Saturday but only in the daytime and this could have a different timetable. They are not prepared to carry on running the 12A night service.

"County Councillor John Fillis spoke of the massive cuts imposed on the county council by central government and the difficulties it presented when trying to prioritise where the cuts should come.

"He was very sympathetic about the problems this decision had caused throughout Lancashire and they have taken this on board and are looking closely at schemes to try to alleviate the problem"

On the issue of flooding Cllr. Hardisty said that one way to deal with future flooding issues would be to create an internal drainage board, a local public authority established in areas of special need with the powers to manage water levels and undertake works to reduce the flood risk to people, landowners and property.

Worsened

He added: "Scarisbrick parish councillor John Herbert gave a detailed history of the area and pointed out that there had been an internal drainage board in the past but this had been superseded by United Utilities and had gone out of existence.

"He further talked about the cost to set up another but felt this was the way forward. He also felt that a lot of the drainage system had not been maintained which worsened the situation.

"Alice Richards from the National Farmers Union spoke of the recent flooding problems and how they had worked with local farmers and landowners to look at solutions for the future. The majority of the farmers are in agreement with establishing an IDB and the NFU are discussing this with local councils and MPs.

"It will be especially needed once the Environment Agency turns off the five Alt Crossens pumps."

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Youth leader plans commemorative dinner to mark 100th anniversary of historic First World War battle

Alan aims to raise funds for memorial garden tribute

Report by **Henry James**

Alan Lewis is planning a commemorative dinner to mark the 100th anniversary of the Battle of the Somme

SKELMERSDALE Action for Youth (SAY) leader, Alan Lewis is hosting a commemorative dinner to mark the 100th anniversary of The Battle of the Somme.

The event will take the form of a three-course meal and entertainment with a disco at Evermoor Hub, Digmoor Community Centre on July 2, from 6.30 to 11.30pm.

The Battle of the Somme encompassed a series of battles in the First World War for the British Army in the sector of the Western Front south of Arras and north of the Somme River.

The battle was launched on July 1, 1916 following a seven-day artillery preparatory bombardment, the scale of which had never been seen before in modern warfare.

Invitation

The battles to win ground from the German Second Army continued over four-and-a-half months.

Alan Lewis said: "SAY would like to celebrate and arrange a regimental-style dinner at the Evermoor Hub Community Centre to raise funds for an area in the memorial garden across the road from the war memorial in Old Skelmersdale."

SAY have commemorated the First and Second World Wars and more recent conflicts including the Falklands, Gulf War and Afghanistan and would like to invite any members of the military, police, fire & rescue, cadet force, Bevin Boys, Land Army and Merchant Navy, along with their family members.

They have arranged to have a Scottish piper, Bob Wilson, to march in with all the different armed forces colours on parade, along with a local minister who will bless the colours of the local cadet force.

Alan Lewis added: "We would like to invite veterans and family members from as many different services as possible, who would like to commemorate their fallen comrades of the First and Second World War and modern day conflicts."

The Little Digmoor Primary School choir in action at the Last Choir Singing competition

Primary school choir scale the artistic heights at prestigious contest

And young songsters aim to be back next year bidding for greater glory

Report by **Henry James**

TALENTED songsters from a local primary school have hit the high notes in a prestigious competition.

Little Digmoor Primary School Choir put on a show-stopping performance at the Last Choir Singing competition at Marine Hall, Fleetwood to win the accolade of Most Artistic.

In a very close competition the Skelmersdale choir beat off four other schools to take the title and received an award of £125 to buy musical equipment for the school.

Compere for the evening, acclaimed international vocalist, Duncan Heather, made the announcement to an excited audience following his performance of 'I Dreamed a Dream'.

Little Digmoor's Dig the Beat Choir consists of 17 vocalists and is led by Lorraine Howarth, who has been working with the choir since September 2015.

After attending one of the Last Choir vocal training workshops held in autumn 2015, they decided to enter the competition.

The free training sessions were an exciting new element to the competition for 2015/16 and were in response to requests from choral leaders who were looking for additional support in guiding their choirs.

Delighted

Little Digmoor's headteacher, David Paton, said: "We are so pleased and proud of our choir and we are delighted to have won the Most Artistic award.

"The children were over the moon with the accolade and tried so hard in their performance. We will be back next year and are aiming to be a heat winner!"

Police appeal after teenager goes missing

POLICE are appealing for information after a teenage girl went missing from Skelmersdale.

Barbora Horvathova *(pictured)* **was last seen in Tintagel in the town at around 1pm on Thursday, March 17.**

She is described as white, 5ft 3in tall, of slim build, with shoulder-length, dark hair and brown eyes.

When last seen she was wearing a grey tracksuit and multi-coloured scarf.

Barbora is believed to have links to the Sussex area.

Officers are concerned about her wellbeing and are urging anyone with information to contact police immediately.

PC Helen Foran of Lancashire Police said: "We are growing increasingly concerned about Barbora and I would appeal to anyone who has seen her or knows where she might be to contact us.

"I would also urge Barbora herself to get in touch if she sees this appeal to let us know she is safe."

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£5,000 grant boost for charity

A CHARITY which provides work experience opportunities for adults with learning disabilities has been given a £5,000 grant to help them to continue their work.

Timesavers provide work experience to people with learning difficulties in West Lancashire by providing an administration service for local voluntary organisations.

The charity received a £5,000 from the Sobell Foundation, which is a grant-making trust for charities in the UK and Israel which provide services for the children, the sick, elderly and disabled.

Edward McCarthy, trustee at Timesavers said: "We are delighted with this very generous donation.

"People with learning difficulties can struggle to find employment but thanks to the donation, we will be able to continue providing work experience and other opportunities to residents in West Lancashire. We hope our recent funding awards can allow for new opportunities for our participants and allow for the further growth of the charity."

1,500 youngsters attend college careers event

TO celebrate National Careers Week and National Apprenticeship Week, West Lancashire College opened their Skelmersdale Campus to more than 1,500 school pupils and the student population of West Lancashire College.

The aim was to educate and inspire pupils and college students on their future careers.

Students and pupils from the area and beyond had the opportunity to engage in activities with more than 60 employers from a wide range of industries. Young people had the opportunity to find out about new careers, talk about their future options and view a range of apprenticeships and job vacancies on offer.

Employers from across the North West attended the day on Wednesday, March 16 to provide a range of interactive activities for pupils to get involved in.

Employers included Hotter, United Utilities, Safe & Warm, Trelleborg, Stocks Hall, Home Instead, St Richard's RC primary School, West Lancashire Borough Council, Walkers/PepsiCo, Southport & Ormskirk NHS Trust, The Imagery, the army, police, STEM First, Edge Hill University, UCLan and Royal Bank of Scotland.

Universities from across the North West also attended.

Maria Gilling, principal of West Lancashire College, said: "We are delighted to have had the opportunity to stage this Interactive Careers Fair. Raising the aspirations of young people and unlocking potential through learning with Apprenticeship and vocational education are at the heart of what we do at West Lancashire College.

"Careers education for school pupils is a hot topic at the moment, and the challenge of bringing those who have left education and not progressed into further learning or work is always at the front of our minds.

"The fair was a truly collaborative and inspirational event with the college, schools and employers working together to stage a fabulous extravaganza of careers opportunities and hands-on activities. To see more than 1,000 young people being both curious and engaged in their potential future careers was so rewarding. A big thank-you goes to our learners, local schools and employers who made this event so successful."

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Youth group team up with police to run canoe courses

SKELMERSDALE Action for Youth (SAY) have worked together with the police to run two canoe courses.

In all eight young people, accompanied by two adults - a member from SAY and a local special police officer from Skelmersdale - are taking part in the course.

The most recent session took place on March 8 and lasted an hour. The young people will be doing their test at Coniston in the Lake District on April 2.

The activities were part of SAY's Let's Get Active programme. They run the sessions with the aim of getting young people off the streets in Skelmersdale.

The programme is funded by the Lancashire police and crime commissioner's Proceeds of Crime Act programme, the John Laing Trust and Comic Relief.

Meanwhile, SAY are continuing to organise activities and are running crazy carts sessions at the Evermoor Hub on a Friday evening from 5 to 6pm for young people. Participants use small electric cars to race around a track set out by SAY. Each child has to complete the course safely and there is a prize at the end of the session for the competitor with the best time.

Throughout the spring and summer holidays, SAY is running a number of one-hour free sessions of fun creative activities, including sessions at Nye Bevan Pool, team games, Big Ball sessions, turfboarding / sledging and football session with Wigan Athletic Community Trust at the fire station and at Evermoor Hub (formerly Digmoor Community Centre).

Alan Lewis added: "SAY's approach is to make activities fun and they are designed to cut back on anti-social behaviour and encourage community spirit and improve relationships with agencies like Lancashire Police Early Action Team."

Youngsters taking part in a crazy carts session

SAY also run other activities like a Street Dance Project at the Youth Zone on a Thursday evening from 6.30 to 7.30pm.

Mr Lewis added: "SAY would like to say a thank-you to the police and crime commissioner's Proceeds of Crime Act Programme, the John Laing Trust, Comic Relief and Small Grant Application. We would also like to thank Skelmersdale Police, Lancashire Fire and Rescue service, Wigan Athletic Community Trust, Evermoor Hub and the Community Safety Partnership."

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Don't leave it too late to get prescriptions in time for Easter break

WITH Easter fast approaching, people with long-term health conditions such as asthma, diabetes, lung and heart disease are being reminded not to leave it too late to get their repeat prescriptions but to only order what they need.

Many GP surgeries will be closed on the bank holidays over Easter, so it is wise for people to think about the medication they will need before the holiday period begins.

Dr Rob Caudwell, local GP and NHS Southport and Formby CCG chair, said: "There are thousands of people living with a long-term health condition in Southport, Formby and West Lancashire and we want to make sure that people with these illnesses have a good Easter break.

"The last thing we want is for people to run out of their medication but it is also important that they don't over-order to avoid unnecessary waste. We don't want patients to become poorly and have to spend part of their holiday in hospital."

Dr Ros Bonsor, local GP and board member of NHS West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), added: "We are reminding people about the services on offer to them such as Minor Aliments (Care at the Chemist) and the NHS 111 service which will be invaluable over Easter."

The local NHS CCGs in Southport, Formby and West Lancashire are also reminding people that A&E and 999 services are for life-threatening and serious conditions.

The West Lancashire Community High pupils with their medals

School scoops four medals at Disability Swimming Gala

PUPILS from West Lancashire Community High School in Skelmersdale are riding the crest of a wave after scooping four medals at this year's Lancashire School Games Disability Swimming Gala.

More than 170 children from primary and secondary schools across Lancashire met at Lancaster's Salt Ayre Leisure Centre to battle it out for glory.

Team West Lancashire, which is based in School Lane, triumphed to take home a haul of medals including one gold, two silver and a bronze.

The boys from West Lancashire Community High School spurred this success with Ethan Thuwell securing first place in the KS4 25m back stroke event, while Luke Williams scooped silver in the KS3 25m breast stroke race.

Chris Hart, school games organiser for West Lancashire, said: "This year's disability swim gala was bigger and better than ever before, with fantastic displays in the pool and great sporting spirit on show. Well done to everyone who took part, from our competitors to our volunteers and helpers, as well as those who cheered on from the pool side."

The Lancashire Lion, the school games mascot, was on hand to cheer on pupils alongside Jon Barry, Mayor of Lancaster, Suzanne Lodge, deputy chief executive of Lancaster City Council and Anthony Barton, operations and HR director at James Hall & Company Ltd.

The gala marks the first of two SPAR Lancashire School Games county finals events, which are part of the national £128m school games programme and sponsored by James Hall & Company Ltd, the SPAR distributors for the North of England.

Organised by the Lancashire Sport Partnership and implemented by the county's school games organisers, the competition is now in its 10th year.

An anticipated 2,400 youngsters are expected to participate in the second county finals at Blackpool's Stanley Park on July 5, where they'll compete in sports including tennis, rounders and athletics to be crowned county champions.

Anthony Barton, operations and HR director at James Hall & Company Ltd, said: "The SPAR Lancashire School Games swim gala is designed to encourage all children across the county to get active and take part in competitive sport, no matter what their background or ability, so it's great to be involved in what has become a key event in the Lancashire school sporting calendar for yet another year."

Police issue crackdown warning to motorists

POLICE in Skelmersdale have issued a warning that they will target those who drive dangerously and illegally.

The warning comes after officers from the Lancashire Road Policing Unit carried out checks in the town at the weekend and caught people driving without insurance and MOT, while a third was arrested on suspicion of drink-driving.

The driver of a white Nissan was stopped at around 8.50pm on Saturday, March 19, in Railway Road, Skelmersdale, for driving without insurance. The vehicle was re-insured at the roadside.

Another driver was stopped for not having MOT just before 9.30 on the same evening

And a white Ford Focus was also stopped around 11.20pm on Saturday, March 19, in Grimshaw Road.

The driver was breathalysed and arrested on suspicion of drink-driving. James Reilly, 44, of Yewdale, Skelmersdale, was charged and bailed to appear at Preston Magistrates on April 14.

A spokesman for Lancashire Police said: "Motorists who drive legally and abide by the rules of the road have nothing to fear.

"We are committed to making the roads of Lancashire safer for all and will continue to target those who drive dangerously and illegally."

Meanwhile, Skelmersdale Police Community Road Watch Team were in Up Holland on Tuesday, March 15 monitoring traffic.

During their operations there were 21 offences committed, including speeding and people not wearing seat belts.

A spokesman for Skelmersdale Police said: "Please be aware of the speed limits on the roads you are driving on and remember seat belts are there to keep you and your passengers safe."

Pupils clean up in poster competition

YOUNGSTERS at St Thomas the Martyr Primary School in Up Holland are celebrating after winning a competition as part of the national Clean for The Queen initiative.

Talented Year 1 pupils, all aged either five or six, entered a contest for the best poster to highlight the campaign which aimed to encourage people in the UK to get out and clean up the areas in their communities.

Schools from throughout the country were involved in the project and Up Holland school's Street Clean Superhero design was the winner.

They won a free clean-up kit for the school and their design will be turned into a six-sheet bus-stop billboard poster, and displayed at 1,000 locations all around England.

Year 1 teacher, Molly Deary, commented: "The children are all so excited about winning this competition and we can't wait to see our poster at the bus stops around Skelmersdale and Up Holland."

Year 1 pupils at St Thomas the Martyr CE primary School with their winning poster

It's Chico Time as Skem health club launches new fitness programme

Chico and members of Bannatyne Health Club in Skelmersdale pictured at the launch of his Block Fit programme

FORMER X Factor finalist Chico Slimani, who had a hit record with It's Chico Time, led a master class to launch his new fitness programme, Block Fit at the Bannatyne Health Club in Skelmersdale.

Block Fit is designed to be a mind, body and soul work-out.

It is divided into four sections - 15 minutes of dance, 12 minutes of combat-inspired moves, 12 minutes of high-intensity exercises and 12 minutes relaxing yoga - all accompanied by original music written by Chico.

A typical Block Fit class is said to burn between 650 and 1,000 calories and be suitable for all ages and fitness levels.

Block Fit will become a permanent fixture on the health club's roster and will be led by Kim Kenealy, who has been taught the routines by Chico himself.

He was so impressed that he invited her to undergo further training to become a Block Fit master instructor, meaning she is qualified to teach colleagues.

Iain Black, general manager at the club, said: "Block Fit is going to be the big fitness class in 2016 and we're delighted to be offering it to our members. The mixture of dance, combat, intensity training and Yoga moves and meditation is really exciting and fantastic fun.

"Kim is really enthused by Block Fit and will stamp her own personality on the choreography designed by Chico. We're very proud that she qualified as a master trainer and convinced that members will absolutely love the new classes."

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Report by **Henry James**

DON'T miss the chance to vote in the forthcoming elections - that's the message to residents in the borough from West Lancs Council.

On Thursday, May 5 voters in England will go to the polls to elect local councillors as well as police and crime commissioners and the council is urging anyone who thinks they might not be registered to vote to do so by visiting the website www.gov.uk/register-to-vote before the deadline of Monday, April 18.

Registering now for the elections in May will also mean voters are registered in good time before the referendum on the UK's membership of the European Union on June 23.

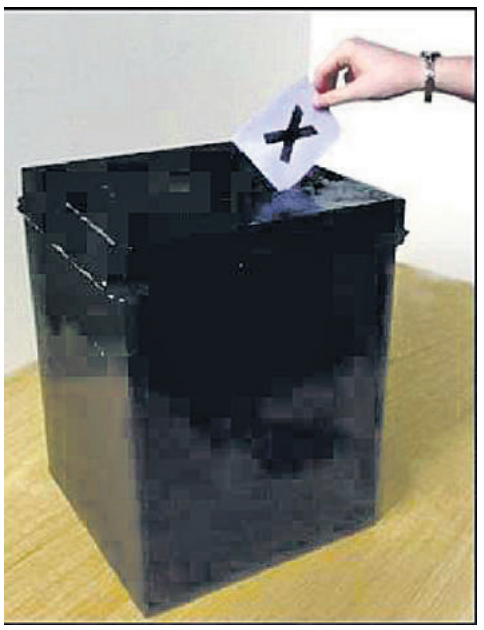
The Electoral Commission has launched a national campaign to remind people to register by the deadline. In England advertising will appear across TV and online on demand video services. This is in addition to the work that is already being carried out by the commission and partner organisations, which started earlier this year.

Activities

West Lancs Council is also running a number of activities to encourage residents to register. These include a social media campaign and also working with Edge Hill University and other groups and organisations to get local residents registered.

For more information on upcoming elections visit www.westlancs.gov.uk/elections

Kim Webber, electoral registration officer for West Lancashire, said: "Time is now running out to make sure you can take part in these elections, so I'd encourage everyone in West Lancashire to take action now if they're not already registered to vote. Our message is simple: you can't vote if you aren't registered by April 18. It's easy and only takes a few minutes online, just go to gov.uk/register-to-vote."



Make sure you are registered to vote.

Ben Brook, head of the Electoral Commission, English Regions, said: "Our public awareness campaign across England aims to encourage anyone not yet registered, to do so as soon as possible. Our research shows that young people, students and recent home movers are less likely to be registered to vote. If you're not registered you won't be able to have your say on issues that directly affect your day-to-day life in West Lancashire.

"Registering is quick and easy to do online at gov.uk/register-to-vote but you only have until Monday, April 18 if you want to vote in the important elections in England this May."

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Time for action on speeding and pavement riding

THE issue of speeding on Cottage Lane, Ormskirk has been looked at by Lancashire Constabulary and has been the subject of a number of public meetings, as well as meetings with various partners of the road safety partnership.

Lancashire County Council are looking at placing further speed calming measures on the road, 20mph road markings are already in place but people continue to drive too fast.

I believe the Community Roadwatch Team are looking at conducting risk assessment either side of Cottage Lane in which there is a 40 mph zone leading out.

If this risk assessment is carried out, then speed gun work may well take place.

Issues of cars riding on the pavement has also been discussed and the advice has been given to phone this in on the police 101 number if this is seen.

There have been many meetings over recent years about this, it is time for action.

There are already a number of 20mph road markings and signs designed to reduce the speed of traffic.

I would like the idea of traffic calming to be looked into. Does anyone else think that chicanes or speed bumps should be considered?

Edward McCarthy, Ormskirk

Grass verges lost in a sea of mud

I HAVE always admired the floral display by the council on the roundabout in Ormskirk by the fire station but it is soon lost as I enter Cottage Lane.

The lovely grass verges next to the pavement are now a sea of mud as the residents park their cars on them.

This problem has gone on for years but the council do nothing.

The owners should be made to park in their own drives or front garden area – as I do myself!

Resident of 60 years, Cottage Lane, Ormskirk

Repercussions can be horrific

I WOULD like to bring West Lancashire residents' attention to the fact that no-one is keeping to the speed limits set in the area, including the 20mph limit on Cottage Lane and 20mph limit on Redgate.

I think that it is awful – and another thing that is terrible is the amount of drivers who are parking their cars half on the pavement at night.

No-one in authority has taken a blind bit of notice!

My fiancée died when she tripped on a paving slab and it has cost the council more than £13,500 to dig up the flags on our road and put down tarmac.

But nobody is properly regulating where people park – on double yellows, on the pavement, everywhere I see parking that is wrong.

Parking on pavements causes damage to flagging, leading to accidents – which I now know, more than anyone.

People should think about what they are doing as the unexpected repercussions can be absolutely horrific for other people.

Distressed resident, Ormskirk

Turbine should be lit up at night

I AM writing in response to the letters in previous editions (March 2, 9 and 16) regarding the Walkers turbine in Skelmersdale.

I cannot believe the comments made by people saying that they live close to a 'monstrosity'.

I find it amusing as Tanhouse is not close.

I am a resident that actually does live close to the so-called 'monstrosity' and I am in total agreement with the writer of the letter dated March 9 headed 'Wind turbine lifts the spirits'.

Living close by with a south-facing garden I can say that this structure is an absolutely magnificent achievement of human intellect and technological success.

I have only one disagreement with this amazing structure and this is that it is a shame that Walkers don't light it up at night.

The people complaining should accept that it is here to stay and get off their backsides and visit it to see how magnificent it really is.

Barry Edwards, Skelmersdale

Bridge weight restrictions are pointless if they can't be enforced

WHEN the signs went up for the weight restriction on the Derby Street bridge in Ormskirk I asked who was to enforce this and I was informed that it was the police.

I asked the police about this, but they never called me back so I asked Councillor Adrian Owens to ask them on my behalf.

They informed him that they were unable to enforce any fines as a weighbridge that they would have to take any wagons they thought were overweigh to had to be no more than five miles from the point of the offence and the nearest one is in Wigan.

If LCC Highways team had done due diligence on who and how to enforce the weight restriction they could have saved all the money spent on the surveys and signs when the council is trying to make savings.

The people of Ormskirk deserve better.

B. French, by email

PICTURE of the week

Reliving the halcyon days of a bygone era - one of the veteran vehicles and occupants enjoy a motor along Ainsdale beach during last week's Festival of Speed celebrations. Picture by Martyn Snape.

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IF you've got a view on a topic of local or national interest, why not drop us a line at The Champion?

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Help and advice available for those struggling financially

IN a Budget statement perhaps more notable for what it left out, Chancellor George Osborne has confirmed reductions to Personal Independence Payment; however no additional welfare cuts have been announced.

As a charity that was founded long before the creation of the welfare state we know only too well the important role that it plays in supporting those that cannot afford a basic standard of living.

This has been an unsettling year for many that rely on such support and the Welfare Reform Bill, as well as the upcoming changes to the benefits system in April, will add to the confusion that many may feel.

It is welcome that the Chancellor has not announced any new explicit reductions in this Budget, however we are concerned about the impact the changes in Personal Independence Payment will have on those living with illness or disability.

In addition, a number of changes coming in this April mean that for many of those struggling financially things are not going to get any easier.

What is always crucial to those who are struggling is the need for clarity and certainty.

Anyone wanting to know what help they may be eligible for can visit us at www.turn2us.org.uk.

Simon Hopkins, Turn2us

Now shed thieves are adding to Tower Hill plot holders' worries

THE plot holders at Tower Hill have to contend with the consequences of the sale of the Water Tower and its concurrent anxieties.

In addition, there have now been significant thefts across the site, including a grass strimmer, a spade, fuel can and brush cutter.

The thieves removed two padlocks from one shed without causing any damage but also removed a numerical lock by breaking the clasp.

Oddly enough, they took all of the locks away with them. It seems that they have some level of expertise or have access to an appropriate key so be aware if you store expensive items in your shed.

This may or may not be associated with the recent publicity regarding the tower's sale but it is frustrating for people who just want to dig.

Stan King, chairperson of the Tower Hill Allotments Society

New service to offer specialist support to young crime victims

Report by **Henry James**

POLICE and crime commissioner, Clive Grunshaw, is bringing together organisations from across Lancashire with the aim of ensuring young people in the county will be able to access specialist support if they have been a victim of crime.

Six organisations will form the new Lancashire Victim Services for Young People - Groundwork; Lancashire MIND; Pendle Action for the Community; Key Unlocking Futures; Strawberry Fields Training; and U R Potential.

Together they will provide advice, support and counselling specially tailored to young people's needs.

As part of the service, training will be given to voluntary organisations across Lancashire to ensure they know how to offer immediate support and advice to young victims. And young people themselves will be trained as peer mentors.

Youngsters are involved in the development of the service from the very start and will continue to provide input as the service is developed.

Mr Grunshaw said: "I want to make sure that everyone who has been left hurt or upset following a crime is able to access the support they need to help them move on.

Tailored

"We know that young people access support services in different ways and that the services they require are different to those currently available. The new service is designed to ensure that every young person in the county will be able to access tailored support that is right for them if they have been affected by crime in any way."

The service is not limited to specific types of crime and can be accessed regardless of whether the young person has been to the police. Young people will be able to access a range of support including counselling and advice, assistance in dealing with the criminal justice system, building confidence and resilience, peer to peer mentoring and social activity sessions.

The new service will form part of Lancashire Victim Services which was established by the commissioner in 2015 to provide support to victims and witnesses of crime across the county.

Anyone affected by crime can contact Lancashire Victim Services on 0300 323 0085 or visit www.lancashirevictimsservices.org.

Clive Grunshaw

Sunday trading bill defeat welcomed

ROSIE Cooper has welcomed the news that large store Sunday trading hours will not be extended.

The government had planned to extend Sunday trading hours in England and Wales but the bill was defeated after MPs voted 317 to 286 against the proposals put forward by the Chancellor George Osborne to increase the trading hours past the current six-hour limit.

The West Lancs MP had voiced concerns that extended opening in large stores would reduce trade for small stores and lead to more retail staff in large stores being pressured to work longer hours on Sundays.

Following the vote, she said: "I was delighted for retail workers that the government's proposal was defeated. There was no real appetite for the changes and government failed to present evidence that these changes would provide any real benefit while retail workers would have paid a heavy price."

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Campaign to raise awareness of scams

RESIDENTS are being urged to be on their guard against potential fraudsters as figures show that scams are on the increase nationally.

Data provided by Cifas, the fraud prevention service, shows that between 2014 and 2015 fraud rose from 3.1 incidents per 1,000 population to 3.8, while victims rose from 1.7 per thousand to 2.5.

And although the figures for West Lancashire remain below those of the North West as a whole, they nevertheless reflect the worrying upward trend, warns borough MP, Rosie Cooper.

Cifas is a not-for-profit company working to protect businesses, charities, public bodies and individuals from financial crime. They have more than 25 years of experience in fraud prevention and financial crime, working with a range of UK organisations.

One of the main contributors to the rise is social engineering scams where fraudsters find a person's data, publicly available on social media and other sources and use this when trying to manipulate them into sharing confidential information.

A new campaign, Think Twice Before You Act, has now been launched to raise awareness of such scams.

Rosie Cooper said: "Fraudsters are finding evermore sophisticated ways to con people out of their hard-earned money. These scams are not easy to spot so it is important to raise awareness of them, and how they work, to avoid being stung.

"I'd encourage anyone who thinks they are a victim of fraud to contact Action Fraud, the national fraud reporting centre, on 0300 123 20 40."

More information is available at www.GetSafeOnline.org.

College exhibits at National Careers Week event

WEST Lancashire College celebrated National Careers Week promoting the importance of career information, advice and guidance at Skills North West, Event City, Manchester.

Staff and learners from the college exhibited at the region's biggest careers, jobs and skills event, which is attended by more than 6,000 students from across the North West and provides the learners with an opportunity to talk to employers, find out about college courses, meet apprentices and get hands-on with activities, challenges and competitions.

School learners who attended the event benefited from West Lancashire Colleges Get Skilled area in which they were able to have a go at activities in sports, media, make-up and hairdressing and IT.

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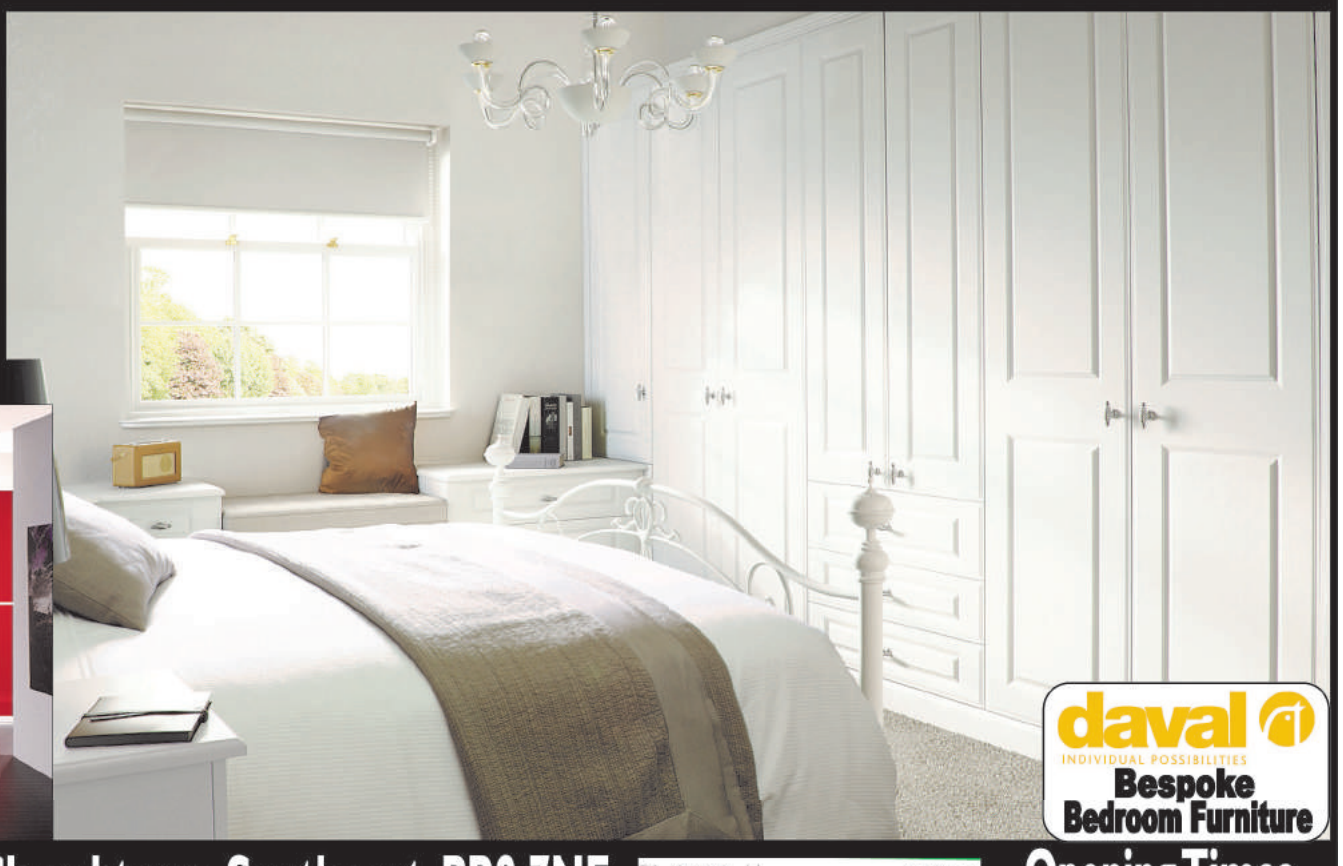

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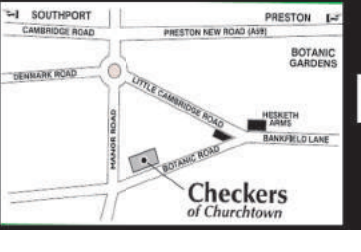

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Dream car tour in bid to prompt residents to check their tickets

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

A UNIQUE gold Aston Martin was driven around West Lancashire and Southport last week to remind residents that one lucky Lotto winner is sitting on a fortune!

The specially-designed supercar took to the area's roads on Thursday, March 17 to launch the National Lottery's 'Road to Riches' campaign to find the buyer of a £1million Lotto Raffle-winning ticket for the November, 21 draw.

The ticket, with the winning code LIME 8233 8540, was bought in this area but the prize has still not been claimed.

The ticket-holder only has until May 19 to claim their winnings after which date the prize money, along with all the interest it has generated, will go to help National Lottery-funded projects across the UK.

The bespoke Aston Martin Rapide S – a dream car the missing ticket-holder could easily afford with their winnings – toured the area to remind residents to check their tickets.

A spokesperson for the National Lottery said: "We're eager to find the mystery ticket-holder and unite them with their winnings – this amazing prize could really make a huge difference to somebody's life.

"We hope this brief glimpse of the millionaire lifestyle, in the form of our gold Aston Martin, will shift the search for West Lancashire's missing millionaire up a gear. We're not taking our foot off the gas as we look to track down this winner and we're hoping one lucky resident is indeed just about to join us on their own 'Road to Ritches.'

"Try checking in the pockets of clothing, in wallets, bags and down the back of the sofa – someone out there is literally sitting on a fortune! We have the champagne on ice and our fingers crossed that the lucky winner comes forward to claim their winnings."

After spending lunchtime in West Lancashire and Southport, the Aston Martin continued on to Preston and Huntingdonshire to seek missing prizewinners in those areas.

The National Lottery spokesperson added: "We hope people will help and join the search by posting pictures on social media sites including Instagram and Twitter using the hashtag #roadtoriches when they see the gold Aston Martinn. This will hopefully encourage people to check missing tickets and ultimately lead to the winners being found."

If you think that you could be the winner, call the National Lottery Line on 0844 338 7551 or email help@national-lottery.co.uk

● Above: The gold Aston Martin pictured during its tour of West Lancashire and Southport and the life-changing cheque awaiting the mystery ticket-holder

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Council leader in favour of combined authority proposal

THE leader of West Lancs Council, Councillor Ian Moran has spoken out in favour of plans for a Lancashire Combined Authority after a public consultation supported the proposal.

Councillors across the county will now decide whether to press ahead with plans for the authority.

Each of the 14 councils taking part in the process will take a report to members in the coming weeks to seek approval to submit a bid to central government.

Almost 2,000 residents and businesses in the county took part in a consultation with the vast majority saying yes to the plans.

And Councillor Moran, said: "A Lancashire Combined Authority would give the local authorities a stronger voice on key issues that affect us all.

"It is good to see Lancashire people giving their backing to this proposal and along with the other district authorities we will be discussing the next steps in this process."

Councillor Alistair Bradley, chair of the leaders' group on combined authority matters, added: "It's really important people have taken time to give their views on the combined authority because it is a great opportunity for us to become a much bigger part of the 'Northern Powerhouse' and I'd like to thank everyone who took part in the consultation.

"The early indications are that the vast majority of the public support the idea and we will be looking at all the detailed comments to see if they can be incorporated into the proposals for Lancashire.

"The next step is for each council to reconsider the proposal and this time they will be deciding whether they want to submit a formal bid to the government for Lancashire to create a combined authority."

The councils will take reports to their individual meetings throughout March and April and if approved a bid could be submitted in May. It will then be considered by the government before they make a decision, which could be as early as the summer.

It would see Lancashire join many other county and city areas, which have already had approval for similar bids, in a bid to drive economic prosperity and create new jobs for residents.

"It's important we keep up momentum with the process so the consultation feedback will be turned into a report for councillors very quickly and it will give councillors more detailed proposals for them to consider," said Councillor Bradley.

"This is a once-in-a-generation opportunity for us to show Lancashire means business and make sure the county is a driving force in the Northern Powerhouse.

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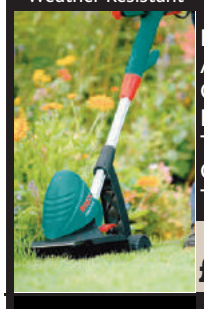

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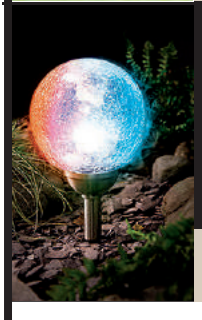

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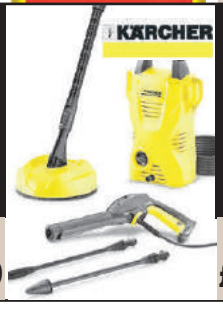

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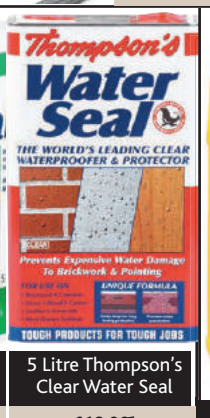

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The Cape Barren gosling. Photo by Bruce Falcon

Gosling arrival heralds 'new life' season at Martin Mere

THE 'new life' season has been heralded at WWT Martin Mere Wetland Centre in Burscough after a Cape Barren gosling hatched.

The male gosling was hatched on Saturday, March 5 and he is growing well. It has been more than 10 years since Martin Mere last successfully hatched a Cape Barren gosling and he has very distinctive black and grey markings on his body and black patch around his eyes.

Grounds manager, Steve Nasir, said: "These two birds were paired together in summer 2013. They have tried a couple of times to breed unsuccessfully so we are delighted that they finally have a gosling.

"They are being excellent parents protecting the little boy and keeping him warm.

"It has been at least 10 years since Martin Mere last hatched a Cape Barren gosling and it is a great achievement for the team. He is going to be a big attraction over the Easter holidays – especially with his black and grey 'humbug' markings."

The Cape Barren goose is a very large bird that is found in Australia, hence why they tend to nest in our winter. They are sometimes referred to as a pig goose due to the grunting sound they make.

They are bulky birds with grey plumage, pink legs, blackish flight feathers and a black and green bill.

The adult Cape Barren goose is 75 to 100 cm long, weighs three to seven kg and has a 150 to 190 cm wingspan with the males somewhat larger than females.

The gosling can be viewed in the WOW (weird or wonderful) exhibit at Martin Mere in the waterfowl gardens.

Residents urged to use local therapy services

WEST Lancashire residents who are experiencing emotional difficulties are being urged to get in touch with a therapy service run by Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust.

The Mindsmatter service, previously known as Improving Access to Psychological Therapies, provides talking therapies for people aged 16 and over who are experiencing common mental health issues such as depression, stress and anxiety.

They offer a variety of interventions and support, including stress management courses, supported online programmes, cognitive behavioural therapy and counselling.

Residents concerned about their mental health can self-refer into the service by contacting their local team or by visiting their GP.

Sue Crutchley, Mindsmatter service manager at the trust explains: "The Mindsmatter service is designed with an emphasis on the ease of access to support for those who require our assistance. We have a self-referral process whereby people can directly refer themselves to the team either by telephone, using our online self-referral form or completing a freepost form.

"Once we receive the referral, the individual will receive a welcome call from one of our psychological wellbeing practitioners who will discuss their needs and work with the individual to decide which course of treatment would be most suited to their needs.

"It is important people are aware of the support available to them so they don't suffer alone." For more info visit www.lancashirecare.nhs.uk/Mindsmatter

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Care trust shortlisted for award

LANCASHIRE Care NHS Foundation Trust's Children and Families Network has been shortlisted for NHS England's Friends and Family Test Awards 2016 in the Best Friends and Family Test Accessibility Initiative Category.

The awards aim to recognise healthcare services that have used the feedback of patients and carers to shape services for the better and make improvements as a result.

Working closely with the quality improvement and experience department at the trust, the Children and Families Network adapted the widely-used questionnaire to appeal to a younger audience and provide them with the opportunity to feedback about their experience of the trust's services.

The results will be revealed later this month.

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Care trust improvement recognised by 'good' rating in league table

LANCASHIRE Care NHS Foundation Trust has received a rating of good in a new Learning from Mistakes league table that has been collated and published by NHS Improvement.

Drawing on a range of data, the table serves to identify the level of openness and transparency in NHS provider organisations for the first time ever.

Data has been drawn on from the 2015 staff survey and the National Reporting and Learning System to identify those NHS provider organisations that have outstanding levels of openness and transparency; good levels of openness and transparency; significant concerns about openness and transparency; or a poor reporting culture

The league table gives each trust a rank alongside providers across the country and placement in one of the above four categories.

Lancashire Care has been ranked in the top 10% nationally, rated as one of the trusts with 'good levels of openness and transparency'.

The trust has said it takes the safety and wellbeing of its employees and patients very seriously and proactively encourages the reporting of incidents/near misses and sharing the learning from such cases.

Trust chief executive, Heather Tierney-Moore

The results indicate that the work that the trust has progressed over the last few years to promote a positive safety culture and learning from mistakes has been effective.

Results also show that "a real emphasis has been given to embedding an open learning culture, encouraging reporting and empowering staff to escalate anything that could impact on the quality of care or patient safety."

Trust chief executive, Heather Tierney-Moore commented: "Providing high-quality care and a good experience for our patients is our number one priority.

"Patient safety is imperative and creating an open and honest culture in which staff feel supported and safe to raise concerns is key to delivering services that are safe and effective.

"How organisations respond to mistakes also impacts on the culture and at Lancashire Care we are continually working to achieve a positive culture where we focus on learning rather than blame in the unfortunate event that something has gone wrong."

The staff survey results 2015, which were published recently, showed a significant improvement in relation to awareness among Lancashire Care employees on how to report unsafe clinical practice with 98% of respondents saying that they know how to go about this, 89% felt that patient care is the trust's top priority and 97% felt that the trust does act on concerns raised by patients.

In terms of the survey overall, the trust has made improvements in 22 of the 60 areas covered by the national NHS staff survey and the overall engagement of employees has increased to above the national average.

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Pupils and staff celebrate the nursery opening with a colourful display

Balloon release gets school's new nursery off to a flying start!

PUPILS and staff created a colourful display over West Lancashire when they celebrated the opening of a new nursery with a balloon release last week.

The new Bispham nursery was opened at 'outstanding' West Lancashire primary school Richard Durnings Primary School on Thursday, March 17, when pupils released more than 100 blue and yellow balloons - the school and nursery's colours - into the sky.

The nursery will cater for youngsters from three years upwards until they reach primary school age.

Among guests at the event at the school in Chorley Road were Lancashire County Council's new school advisor, Ruth Ross and chair of governors, Geoff Monk, along with local families and pupils and friends of the school.

Prospective and current parents were invited to meet for tea and coffee and were given the opportunity to look around the nursery before the balloons were released.

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Motorists struggling through the floods on the A59 in Ormskirk in December

MP welcomes flood fund bid

...but says money must be used to help communities not government

ROSIE Cooper has welcomed the government's decision to apply to a European fund to help flood-hit homeowners, businesses and farmers across the UK.

In January the West Lancs MP wrote to the Prime Minister David Cameron urging the government to make an application to the EU Solidarity Fund to secure additional funds.

And James Wharton, from the department for communities and local government has announced in the House of Commons that the UK government would be making an application.

Rosie Cooper said: "I am glad that the government has finally decided to listen to MPs representing communities hit by the December floods and apply to the EU Solidarity Fund - although they've taken a long time to reach the decision.

"If the application is successful and the government secures monies from the fund, I would expect the additional funds to be invested back into the communities that were devastated by the most recent floods - not used to cover the monies the government have spent in the immediate aftermath of the flooding.

"This is a commitment they have refused to give in the debate or subsequently.

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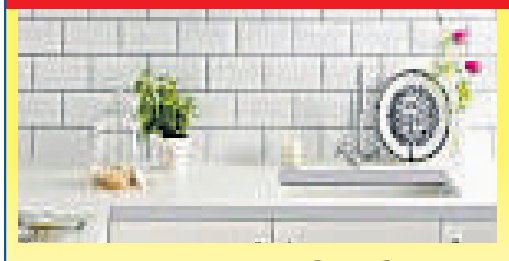

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Two reasons why I'll be ticking the 'Out' box in EU referendum

I HAVE deliberately kept clear of the forthcoming referendum on our membership of the European Union, until now.

Just this week though I have read two articles which highlight for me just why I personally will be voting out – though I also respect the right of anybody to hold their own opinions.

You may have seen the story about this new (to Great Britain) type of blood-sucking tick which has already claimed the life of at least one dog and infected several more which are fighting for their lives. And this really upsets me because I love my two canine companions, Tina and Cinders.

This tick causes Canine Babesosis, and is usually found in Mediterranean countries and France. Now, vets fear that it has been carried here by dogs entering, or re-entering this country.

Until recently, all dogs entering the UK from Europe had to have been given tick treatment first. But no longer.

This excellent and effective policy was scrapped two years ago – because we wanted to 'harmonise' with the rest of the EU – and since mainland Europe already has rabid dogs, I suppose ticks are probably a small matter. But as any responsible dog owner well knows, our own home-grown ticks can cause problems enough, without importing deadly EU ones.

Then I picked up a magazine and read an article about building new railway carriages, and refurbishing old ones. The author reckoned, as I know do many other folk, that the standard of comfort offered by modern seating is far lower than previously. Put simply, most of them are a pain in the backside.

Now this is NOT in any way the fault of the EU – quite the opposite in fact. Basically much of the problem is our very own elves of safety (another bugbear of mine).

Way back in 1978, 12 people died in a fire in a sleeper carriage when some bedding was left too near to an electric heater. Quite rightly it was decreed that furnishings and fittings should henceforth be fire resistant and safe – particularly with regard to sleepers. So new rules and regs appeared and railway sleepers are now much more safe than before.

But in the usual 'one size fits all' way of thinking, these same strict rules apply also to the ordinary carriages used in trains which pass through tunnels more than five km long. There are just two such in the UK, the Severn tunnel and Tottley tunnel.

Ridiculous

British train operators though have a get-out courtesy of the European Union – a safety standard called EN 45545 which is considerably less strict than our own home-grown rules.

Except, no doubt scared stiff by the thought of court action and 'compo', train makers choose not to take refuge in European dictates and stick relentlessly to their own standards, even though they were never meant to be applied the way they are now. Babies and bathwater spring to mind.

The upshot being than we suffer hard seats for instance, which could and should be more plush and comfy.

In fact, the things that seem important to designers of so much these days are that they should look good and cost as little as possible, with scant regard to how well their product actually works in the real world, so fire rules are a wonderful excuse.

Certainly there is no doubt that our railway carriages are far, far more safe then they were in 1978, but like so many things, just how safe is safe enough or indeed desirable before the whole exercise becomes ridiculous

Men walking in front of cars with a red flag would be very safe indeed.

So how does all this relate to how I will vote in a referendum? Well, with ticks it is obvious. But train seats?

In fact, what I think this shows is that we, as a people, are not and never will be Europeans at heart. We accept ticks because we are told that is the rule – and rules should always be obeyed. So, infected dogs are allowed in.

Although I bet you'll still find the locals puffing away at their Galloise in Paris, without their collars being felt, more likely a Gallic shrug.

But we ignore EN45545 because Health and Safety laws must be obeyed and nobody can argue with "if it saves just one life."

True Europeans simply ignore laws which upset their way of life – we, by nature, obey them to the letter.

Chance for parents-to-be to pick up a bargain and help charity

NEW parents and parents-to-be will have the chance to pick up some bargains at a special Nearly New sale being held on Saturday, April 2.

The event, at St Bede's Catholic High School in St Anne's Road, Ormskirk, has been organised by the local branch of the National Childbirth Trust and will run from noon to 1.30pm.

As well as offering families the chance to sell on any items they might no longer have a use for, but which are still in an excellent condition, bargain hunters will be able to pick up items for their growing families while the NCT keeps 25% per cent of the profits to help fund its charity work supporting new and expectant parents in the local community.

Karen Lawrenson, branch co-ordinator for the Southport, Formby and Ormskirk branch of the NCT, said: "Our Nearly New sales are popular with buyers and sellers alike. They are a great way to pick up a bargain and to pass on the items your children no longer need, all the while helping to support other parents by funding NCT charity's vital work."

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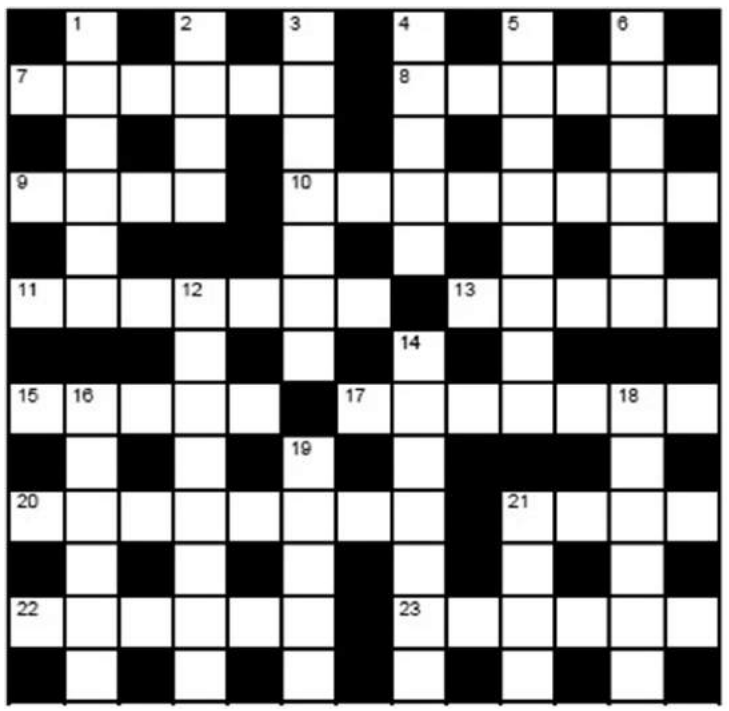

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Across: 7 Ambush. 8 Oeuvre. 9 Gnat. 10 Ruminant. 11 Pageant. 13 Bothy. 15 Joust. 16 Coffers. 18 Stalwart. 19 Roam. 21 Avenge. 22 London

Down: 1 Omen. 2 Ductless gland. 3 Pharynx. 4 Comma. 5 Burnt offering. 6 Trencher. 12 Abortive. 14 Monthly. 17 Raven. 20 Ahoy.

ACROSS

7 To be against something or someone (6)
8 Dish in which small pieces of bread are dipped into a hot sauce or oil (6)
9 Invertebrate creature with slender, soft body and no limbs (4)
10 At whatever time (8)
11 A puzzle or enigma (7)
13 Material that records used to be made of (5)
15 Upper body item of clothing usually with a collar and sleeves (5)
17 The bar in a pub (7)
20 Three-coloured flag, such as the French national one (8)
21 Push the lips forward in expression of anger or petulance (4)
22 Hindu festival held in October and November (6)
23 Remove goods from a vehicle (6)

DOWN

1 Eerie (6)
2 Yarn or thread-weaving machine (4)
3 Towards the wind (7)
4 In the time following (5)
5 Nearer the front (8)
6 Guarantor (6)
12 Traitor (8)
14 What you might visit a barber's for (7)
16 Revolting (6)
18 Relating to the eyes or vision (6)
19 Term for a popular song or film from the past, often prefixed by golden (5)
21 Light colour or shade (4)

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Merseyrail to benefit as part of £340m upgrade

Report by **Tom Martin**

PASSENGERS who use the Merseyrail network are set to benefit from millions of pounds worth of improvement over the next three years.

A cash boost of £340m will be spent by Network Rail and Liverpool City Region on different projects across Merseyside in a bid to make it a faster and more reliable service by 2019.

Some of the improvements will include renewing tracks on the underground loop on the Merseyrail network, building a new station at Maghull North and building longer platforms at Liverpool Lime Street.

As reported in the Champion last year, the new station will be between Maghull and Town Green Stations on the Liverpool Central to Ormskirk branch.

It is to support increasing demand and extensive new housing and employment developments expected in the area.

Work will include the creation of a new ticket office, provision of park and ride facilities and lifts and a footbridge to platforms.

The overall work across Merseyside, which is part of Network Rail's nationwide Railway Upgrade Plan, will help meet a forecast 100% increase in demand for rail travel.

They will pave the way for additional services, such as the planned new First Transpennine Express services from Liverpool to Glasgow in 2019, and new Liverpool-to-Chester services.

Martin Frobisher, route managing director for Network Rail, said: "Our aim over the next three years is to give passngers the high-quality rail services they deserve. With demand for rail travel expected to rise by 50% over the coming years, these improvements are vital for the future growth and prosperity of this great city region.

A Merseyrail train

"During this work Liverpool will remain open for business, welcoming visitors to the city as well as providing vital transport links for commuters."

Cllr Liam Robinson, Chair of Merseytravel said: "We welcome this investment. It's essential in keeping the Liverpool City Region moving now, and in the future. Network Rail's investment is in addition to the funding we have secured from government for certain key schemes and also that we've raised locally.

"The work to take forward these schemes will, in some cases, mean significant changes to how people make their journeys. We see ourselves as the passengers' champion, working with Network Rail and train operators to ensure that they have the best plans possible in place to minimise disruption to residents, visitors and business."

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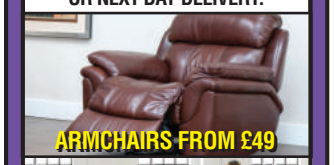

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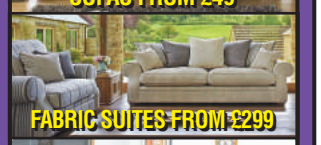

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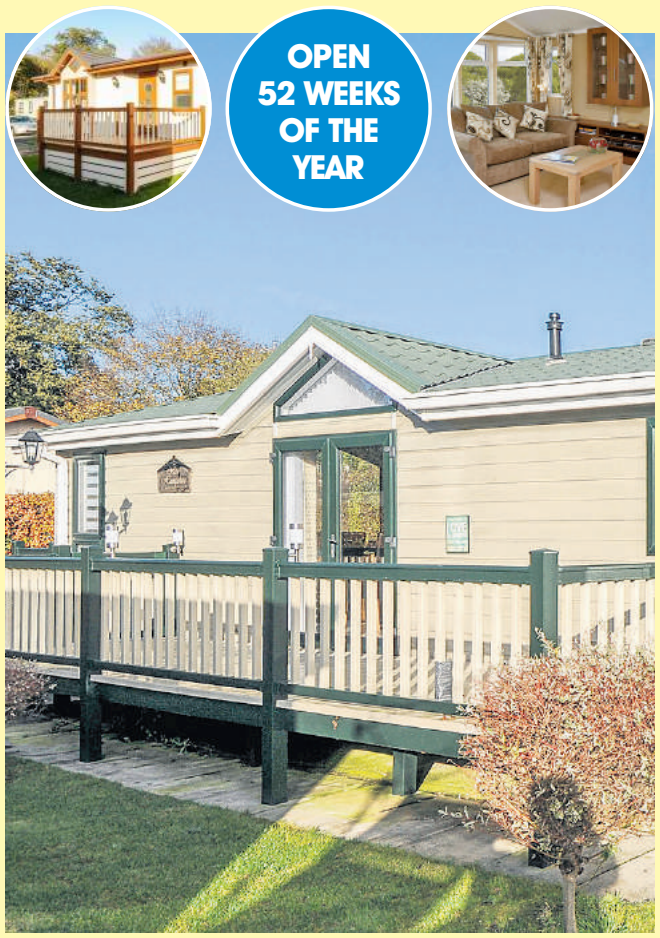

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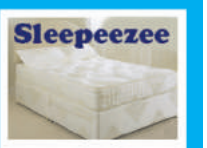

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Dennis Wat *(pictured, right)*, consultant chest physician at Knowsley Community Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Service and Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital, gave a detailed presentation and answered members' questions.

His talk focused on the respiratory condition, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) and he also explained how integrated primary care works in the area in which he operates, involving a large team of nurses, community doctors and physiotherapists, including specialist clinics being held at GP surgeries.

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The surgeries are considered very helpful for patients, as it means they can avoid hospital visits.

Almost a million people in the UK have been diagnosed with COPD but it's believed the true figure is probably nearer 3.7m.

This serious illness is responsible for 25% of all respiratory deaths in England and accounts for one in eight of all hospital admissions plus more than £800m in direct healthcare costs (2010 figures).

Pat Ireland from West Lancashire and Southport Breathe Easy group said: "Dr Wat detailed the causes, symptoms, diagnosis and treatments of COPD, advising patients on how to handle exacerbations and how to live with the disease.

"Although there is no cure, there are many effective treatments to control symptoms and improve quality of life and he discussed each of these at length."

Respiratory consultant Chris McManus will be guest speaker at the group's next meeting on Monday, April 18. This will be at the Guide HQ, Green Lane, Ormskirk, starting at 11am.

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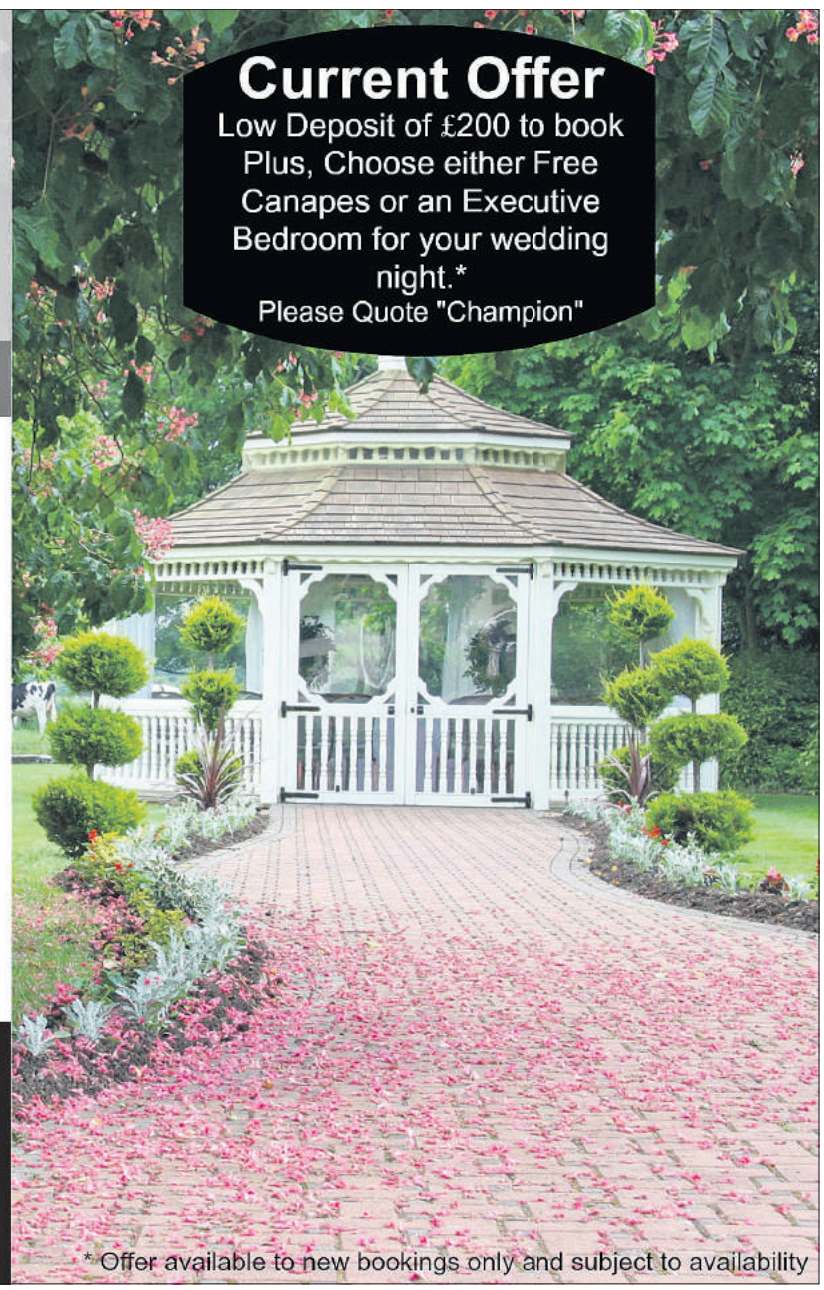
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Students got an insight into life at one of the UK's busiest airports as they took part in the formal process to obtain security passes, toured Terminal 1 retail, learned about the psychology of human behaviour and worked with Swissport on passenger announcements.

Throughout the day, students were given lots of information about working at the airport and about the variety of jobs available, particularly due to the expansion work that is ongoing at Manchester.

Rachel Atlee, course tutor, said: "Offering our students such a fabulous experience allows them to have a greater understanding of what it is like to work in the airline industry.

"We would like to thank the community relations team at Manchester Airport and all of the departments who allowed us access and gave up their time to talk to us."

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On the run for Sport Relief...

RUNNERS flocked to take part in a series of fundraising runs in Ormskirk at the weekend.

The second Sainsbury's Sport Relief Mile and Sports Relief10k race began at Edge Hill University on Sunday, 20 March, circulating the campus.

The race was started by West Lancashire Mayor, Councillor Nikki Hennessy.

Starting at the university's Sports Centre, the Ormskirk Mile took runners on a mixture of trail paths, pavement and rubber surfaces as they made their way around the campus on a one mile route - which they could extend to three or six miles (10 kilometres) if they wanted.

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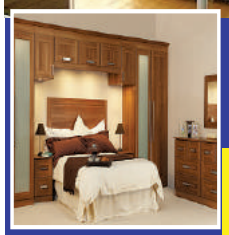

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Council issue advice over reporting stray dogs at Easter

West Lancashire Borough Council has issued advice for residents to report stray dogs over Easter.

Residents who need to report a stray dog between Good Friday, March 25 and Easter Monday, March 28 need to ring the council's contracted kennels, Leigh Dogs and Cats Home, on 01942 671215 or 07786 118088.

The phone line will operate between 9am and 8pm over the four-day period.

Leigh Dogs and Cats Home will be closed to the public on Easter Sunday but the phone line will still be operational from 9am to 8pm.

Stray dogs may be collected anytime up to 8pm over the four days.

Dangerous

Dave Tilleray, director of leisure and wellbeing, said: "We hope all dog owners will be responsible, and keep their pets safe and not let them stray.

"However, if anyone does see a stray dog over Easter they should report the animal to Leigh Dogs and Cats Home. Dogs that are dangerously out of control should be reported to the police."

Stray dogs will be collected and taken back to Leigh Dogs and Cats Home. Any pet owners who wish to collect their pets must contact the home first on 01942 671215 or visit the website www.leighdogsandcatshome.co.uk to check when it will be possible to visit.

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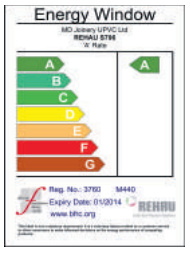

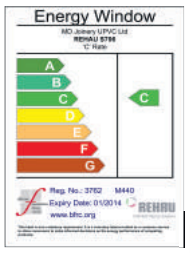

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Record breakers return to resort for anniversary celebrations

Report by **Henry James**

MORE than a thousand people turned up at Ainsdale beach on Wednesday, March 16 to see a record-breaking classic car return to the coastline where it once set a new land speed record.

On the same day 90 years previously, Sir Henry Segrave drove his Sunbeam Tiger on Southport beach, reaching a top speed of 152.33 mph and took the record from Malcolm Campbell, who was the father of Donald.

Sir Henry's four-litre engined car returned to Southport for the first time since that momentous event.

The bright red super car was driven across the sands towards Southport and back after 11.30am. It was joined on the beach by at least 20 vehicles driven by members of the Sunbeam Talbot Darracq Register vintage car club. All were built before 1935.

Also present was the nephew of Sir Henry, Stephen, and Gina Campbell, the daughter of Donald.

A vintage motorcade then travelled through the town, before parking up outside The Atkinson.

Segrave's Tiger was joined there by a Sunbeam Cub, a 1924 racing car with a smaller two-litre engine, which was also driven by Segrave. The historic pair were on display in the foyer of The Atkinson until Sunday as part of the Land Speed Record 90th Anniversary.

The week-long event, organised by The Atkinson and partners including the Aintree Circuit Club, celebrates Southport's pivotal role in racing history.

● **Above: The Sunbeam Tiger on Ainsdale beach**

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West Lancs Jobseeker numbers fall in March

THE number of people in West Lancashire claiming jobseekers allowance has fallen since last month – although the figure is still higher than this time last year.

There are currently 1,290 claimants altogether – a figure which is down by 140 claimants, or 12%, from 1,430 in February 2016, but still up by 140 claimants, or 12%, from March 2015, according to the latest figures released by Jobcentre Plus.

Of the 1,290 claimants in March 2016, 310 of these are aged 18-24 years old. There has been a reduction of 10 young claimants in this age bracket since last month – a decrease of 3%.

Jobcentre Plus manager, Alan Harrison, told the Champion that he believed that the increase in unemployment in the region last year – which was up by 36% more than the same time the previous year – was largely due to the ending of short-term season contracts following the Christmas and New Year period.

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

Now, he believes that the reduction in unemployment is due to workers gaining springtime contracts.

He explained: "The variation is levelling out and I believe that it is due to there being a lot more work as springtime contracts are being offered. The pattern is the same across the North West the average employment rate across the UK is 74.1%, while in the North West we are reaching an average of 73.4% - the closest we have been to the national average that we have been in years. It is good news for the North West.

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Eat Happy every day!

Leigh's favourite daily menu.....

Breakfast	Poached eggs, grilled bacon, mushrooms and tomatoes, 2 small wholemeal bread
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Dinner	Spaghetti Bolognese
Snacks	Fresh fruit Slimming World hi-fi cereal bars Glass of wine

So if you want to be slimmer, happier and healthier like Leigh in 2016, please see the advertisement attached for local group details

Sir Chris Hoy and Fergus

From bikes to book! Sir Chris Hoy visits Edge Hill

Report by **Henry James**

ELEVEN times World Champion and six times Olympic gold medallist Sir Chris Hoy will visit Edge Hill University in April to introduce his new pursuit – children's books.

Sir Chris will read and talk about his new children's book series, Flying Fergus at special free events for schools and families, ideally suited to children in key stage 2, on Monday, April 4.

The first two books in the series tell the story of Fergus, who is a boy with a big imagination and a very special bike. Described as a fantastically fun, magical cycling adventure series, the books also include illustrations by Clare Elsom and are aimed at readers aged five to eight years old.

The Best Birthday Bike and The Great Cycle Challenge were written with author Joanna Nadin and were published in February. They will be available to purchase on the day and Sir Chris will also be available to sign the books and meet with the children after each of the sessions.

Further titles in the series will be released in July, October and January 2017. A non-fiction guide to cycling will also be published in October.

Sir Chris Hoy said: "I am really excited about coming to Edge Hill and meeting the children and families and chatting about my new books and Fergus. I always look forward to the Q&A session and some of the questions the children ask me."

There are two free events at Edge Hill University's Sports Centre:

Monday, April 4, at 9.30am – 11.30am or 1pm – 3pm at the Sports Centre, Edge Hill University, St Helens Road, Ormskirk, L39 4QP

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Spirit of Man in Black alive and kicking at Empire

Clive John as Johnny Cash

THE spirit of the Man in Black is alive and kicking in the Johnny Cash Roadshow which is coming to The Liverpool Empire this Friday (March 25).

This show aims to be entertainment from the first note, and performers deliver a set of numbers with rhythmic pace.

The show includes talented musicians and is a treat for country music lovers and die hard Cash fans alike.

The stage lights up with a colourful explosion of energy, against a striking backdrop of classic screen imagery of the 'real deal'.

Clive John, aims to capture the essence of Cash with exceptional style and confidence. His deep, distinctive vocals evoke country magic with Walk the Line, Folsom Prison Blues and A Thing Called Love.

He also duets with Jill Schoonjan (June Carter). Renditions of Don't You Think It's Come Our Time and Jackson, encapsulate the tender charm and uplifting humour shared by the late enigmatic pair. The music doesn't miss a beat as the set glides along, evoking a timeless quality of a golden era.

Martin Bentley is on bass, Nick Davis on guitars and Darren Bazzoni drums. Backing vocals by Louise Masters and Amanda Stone add sparkle and glamour as the Carter sisters.

A spokesman for the Johnny Cash Roadshow commented: "Despite the band's professional portfolio and slick stage presence they reach a direct intimacy with audiences of all ages that other performers can't quite pull off. This is more than just a show, it's a heart warming story played out with genuine passion and a wonderful celebration of one of the world's greatest known artists."

Further information including tour dates and new album release, Johnny Cash Roadshow Gold, can be found at www.johnnycashroadshow.com

The cast of Back to Bacharach

Music of Bacharach to be celebrated

BACK To Bacharach, which celebrates the magical music of Burt Bacharach, one of the most accomplished popular composers of the 20th Century, is coming to the Southport Theatre on April 9.

Bacharach who together with Hal David penned some of the most memorable and iconic hits that stand the test of time.

This exciting production is touring throughout the UK from September 2015 and is performed by three of the finest West End singers accompanied by a live 10 piece band recreating Burt Bacharach's timeless hits.

Songs featured in the show include: Alfie, Anyone Who Had A Heart, Arthur's Theme, Always Something There To Remind Me, Close To You, I Say A Little Prayer For You, Magic Moments, Walk On By, What's New Pussycat?, 24 Hours from Tulsa, Raindrops Keep Falling On My Head and many more.

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Back To Bacharach is a show aimed for all ages, friends and family!

Back to Bacharach have partnered with Breast Cancer Now, the UK's leading breast cancer charity.

Breast Cancer Now supports world class breast cancer research across the UK and Ireland and believes that if we all act now, by 2050, breast cancer will have taken its last life. Back to Bacharach is supporting this charity by donating £1 from each theatre ticket sold.

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The Quiggs make a triumphant return to Hilldale

Stephen and Pernille Quigg at Hilldale Village Hall

STEPHEN and Pernille Quigg made a triumphant return to Hilldale Village Hall last Saturday night March 12, performing to a capacity audience at a musical evening arranged by Hilldale Community Association.

Hailing from the West Coast of Scotland, although Pernille is originally from Denmark, the husband and wife duo treated a packed village hall to a superb night of music and banter, the music ranging from Scottish traditional, through Danish roots.

Many of the tunes are featured on their recently released, highly acclaimed CD River of Time, including the title track. The banter, as always, was a gentle, and sometimes not so gentle, ribbing of the audience and sometimes self-deprecating, but all adding to the enjoyment of the evening.

As well as both playing acoustic guitars and singing, and each taking it in turn to lead the vocals, Stephen showed his skills on the banjo and the bodhran.

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Main Pay Range. **Ref: 157769**
Required temporary until 31 August 2017. NQT's may apply.
Essential: You must have: Degree, QTS, experience of teaching in Key Stage 2.

Interviews are scheduled for week commencing 18 April 2016.
Informal discussion: Mrs Aspinwall Livesey, Executive Headteacher, or Mrs A Nicholson, School Business Manager.

Application forms: Lancashire Job vacancy website. Mrs A Nicholson at the school.
Closing date: 13 April 2016.

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EYFS Class Practitioner

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Interviews are scheduled for week commencing 18 April 2016.
Essential: QTS, Degree.
Informal discussion: Mrs Aspinwall Livesey, Executive headteacher, or Mrs A Nicholson, School Business Manager.

Application forms: Lancashire job vacancy website. Mrs Annette Nicholson at the school.
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ROEBUCK JOHN FRANCIS
19th March 2016
Peacefully in Hillcroft Rest Home.
Aged 94 years of Ormskirk

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Aged 89 years
20th January 1927 - 14th March 2016

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Reunited with Reg

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10th March 2016
Aged 85 years

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Announcements

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DAULBY JANINE
27th March

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Love you forever
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(Canada)

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28th March 2016
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24 March 1956

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BIRCHALL JOHN (JACK)
28th March

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1 YEAR AGO

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Eunice would like to thank family and friends along with Revd Chris Spittle and members of the Church family for their kind expressions of sympathy, donations for St Paul's and support following the sudden loss of Tommy. Sincere thanks to the doctors Bisarya, staff at Sandy Lane Centre and the paramedics who worked so tirelessly. A special mention to Eleanor West for being such a good friend and a tremendous help in arranging the beautiful service she put together and conducted. Also to Margaret and the staff of SFS for their kindness and dignity. God bless you all.

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PLANNING APPLICATION NO - LCC/2016/0022
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Anyone who wishes to make representations about this application should write to the County Council by 13 April 2016 at the above address, via email DevCon@lancashire.gov.uk or via 'Have your Say' on the County Council's website.
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On Behalf of Lancashire County Council
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(A570 ST HELENS ROAD, RUFF LANE, ORMSKIRK, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC)
(TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF LIMITED WAITING PARKING BAY) ORDER 2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.
1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over the following lengths of highway in the Borough of West Lancashire
i. A570 St Helens Road in a North Westerly direction only from its junction with Small Lane to its junction with A570 Park Road
ii. Ruff Lane in a South Easterly direction only from its junction with A570 St Helens Road, to a point outside property no.1 Ruff Lane.
2. The prohibition will be operative from 0800 hours on Monday 21st March 2016 until 1630 hours on Friday 8th April 2016, or until completion of the works within this period
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closures is as follows:
i. A570 Knowsley Road – A577 Moor Street – A577 St Helens Road
ii. A570 St Helens Road - A570 Knowsley Road – Ruff Lane
4. And further, during the period of the said closure, the following existing limited waiting bays will be temporarily suspended
i. A570 St Helens Road from a point 30 metres south of its junction with Ruff Lane to a point 36 metres north of its junction with Small Lane
ii. A570 Knowsley Road from its junction with St. Helens Road to a point 20 metres north of its junction with St. Helens Road
iii. A570 Knowsley Road from a point 40 metres north of the centreline of Ruff Lane for a distance of 90 metres in a northerly direction
The temporary prohibition is necessary to enable major gas main replacement works to be carried out.
Authority given for this Order to be made:
Laura Padden, Highway Regulation and Inspection Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701
[Ref: HRiT/16/08/2211/arh]

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Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 15
APPLICATION(S) FOR PLANNING PERMISSION
Application No: 2016/0126/FUL Demolition of former egg production buildings and related infrastructure and erection of 59 dwellings and related development including improvement of existing access to site, internal access roads, amenity open space, landscaping, pumping station and boundary fencing at Fine Janes Farm, Moss Road, Halsall.
Application No: 2016/0260/FUL Variation of Condition No. 3 imposed on planning permission 2014/1180/FUL to vary the colour of the cladding to be mushroom (10B19) with forest green (RAL6002) trim and gutters at Gravel Farm Adjacent Southport New Road, Gravel Lane, Banks.
APPLICATION(S) AFFECTING A CONSERVATION AREA / LISTED BUILDING
Application No: 2016/0259/FUL Two storey rear extension and porch to front (includes some demolition work) at 12 Wheat Lane, Lathom.
The applications are available for viewing on the Council's website www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. Alternatively, the application can be viewed during normal office hours at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and at 1st Floor, The Concourse, Skelmersdale. If you wish to comment on the proposal you can do so via the Council's web site, by e.mail to plan.apps@westlancs.gov.uk or in writing to Development and Regeneration Services, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, but these must be received within 21 days of the date of this notice quoting the application no. Any comments made will be available for public inspection.
Applications for Minor Commercial and Householder Development
In the event that an appeal is made against a decision of the Council to refuse to grant planning permission for the proposed development, and that appeal then proceeds by way of the expedited procedure under the written representations procedure, any representations made to the Council about an application will be passed to the Secretary of State and there will be no opportunity to make further representations.
John R Harrison DipEnvP., MRTPI Dated: 23rd March 2016
Director of Development and Regeneration PDNOT890

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(B5240 LYELAKE LANE, BLAGUEGATE, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of B5240 Lyelake Lane, Blaguegate from its junction with A570 Rainford Road, Bickerstaffe to its junction with A577 Dickets Lane, in the borough of West Lancashire.

2. The prohibition will be operative daily between 0800 hours and 1800 hours from Friday 1st April 2016 until Tuesday 5th April 2016 or until completion of the works within this period.

3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- A577 Dickets Lane - A577 Blaguegate Lane - A577 Ormskirk Road, Skelmersdale - B5312 Railway Road, Skelmersdale - B5312 Liverpool Road, Skelmersdale - B5312 Skelmersdale Road, Bickerstaffe and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow carriageway patching works to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Laura Padden, Highway Regulation and Inspection Manager
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[Ref: HRiT/1880/TR]

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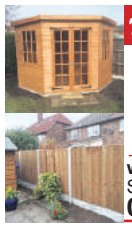

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54 VAUXHALL ASTRA 1.4 5DR HATCHBACK, star silver metallic, 2 owners, 12 months MoT, power assisted steering, full service history, alloy wheels, remote locking air conditioning.....**£1495**

08 FOCUS FOCUS ZETEC 5DR HATCHBACK, finished in graphite grey metallic, 1600cc petrol engine, 2 lady owners from new, SH, full 12 months MoT, Ford alloys, r/locking, air con, CD player, e/windows..**£2995**

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This year's event takes place at the Chichester stately home on 23-26 June.

Go to www.goodwood.com for more information and ticket details.

Coupé given gentle facelift

MERCEDES-BENZ has given its CLA – a small, four-door coupé and a sleek estate – a gentle facelift.

It's now got a new diamond-shaped radiator, refreshed alloy wheels, an updated interior and the chance to order it in a new colour, called Cavansite Blue Metallic.

It's available to order from next month, with the first cars arriving here in July.

A restyled grille and new alloy wheels keep the CLA looking fresh

Volvo reveals range-topping new models

PRICES have been announced for Volvo's range-topping saloon and estate models. The S90 saloon starts at £32,555, while the more spacious V90 estate model will set you back an extra £2000. Both will be available initially with a choice of two 2.0-litre turbodiesel engines – the D4 and the more powerful D5. It's available to order now, with the first cars arriving here in September.

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Unforgettable moment seeing mighty Sunbeam Tiger roar

MARCH 16, 1926 was a good day for speed. For starters, a physicist called Robert H.Goddard launched the world's first liquid-fuelled rocket from a farm in Massachusetts.

This was the very technology that made everything from putting a chap on the Moon to watching episodes of The Simpsons beamed in from satellites possible.

It's also why you no longer need an angry partner and a crumpled road atlas to get anywhere – sat nav isn't perfect, but it's still wonderful.

The same day, 3,153 miles away on the other side of the Atlantic, an Eton-educated racing driver decided to go out for a drive – along Southport's beach at 152mph, setting a world land speed record in the process. Sir Henry Segrave's stint as the fastest man on four wheels may have lasted barely a month but it's still an epic bit of driving, because it involved having to get a supercharged V12 monster with skinny tyres and no traction control to behave itself while doing more than twice the national speed limit. On sand.

I've long bemoaned the lack of any sort of proper tribute to Sir Henry's achievement – other than the name of the town's branch of JD Wetherspoon – but last Wednesday the car's current owner kindly brought it back for another run. Exactly nine decades on the 1925 Sunbeam Tiger was back in Southport!

To get the actual car – which usually resides in Utah - back on the beach was an incredible achievement, but nothing quite like actually hearing that 4.0-litre supercharged engine at full chat. In an age of instant gratification where you download today's entire *Champion* to your smartphone in about three seconds I listened to several people grumbling because it took two hours to get the methanol-fuelled beast up and running; in fact a few actually got bored and went home!

Yet two hours is worth the wait when you consider it's been 90 years since the mighty Tiger last roared in anger here – and the spectacle of actually seeing

the thing being given the beans and the driver fighting a twitchy rear end on the sands was definitely worth it. It was the sort of unforgettable moment I'm sure I'll one day bore my grandchildren with – and doubtless plenty of you will too, given the size of the crowds that turned out to see it.

Good news, by the way. I've spoken to the driver and he tells me the Tiger's owner is more than up for a centenary re-run in 2026 – maybe we could honour Robert H Goddard too and have a simultaneous rocket launch. Go on Sefton Council, you know you want to…

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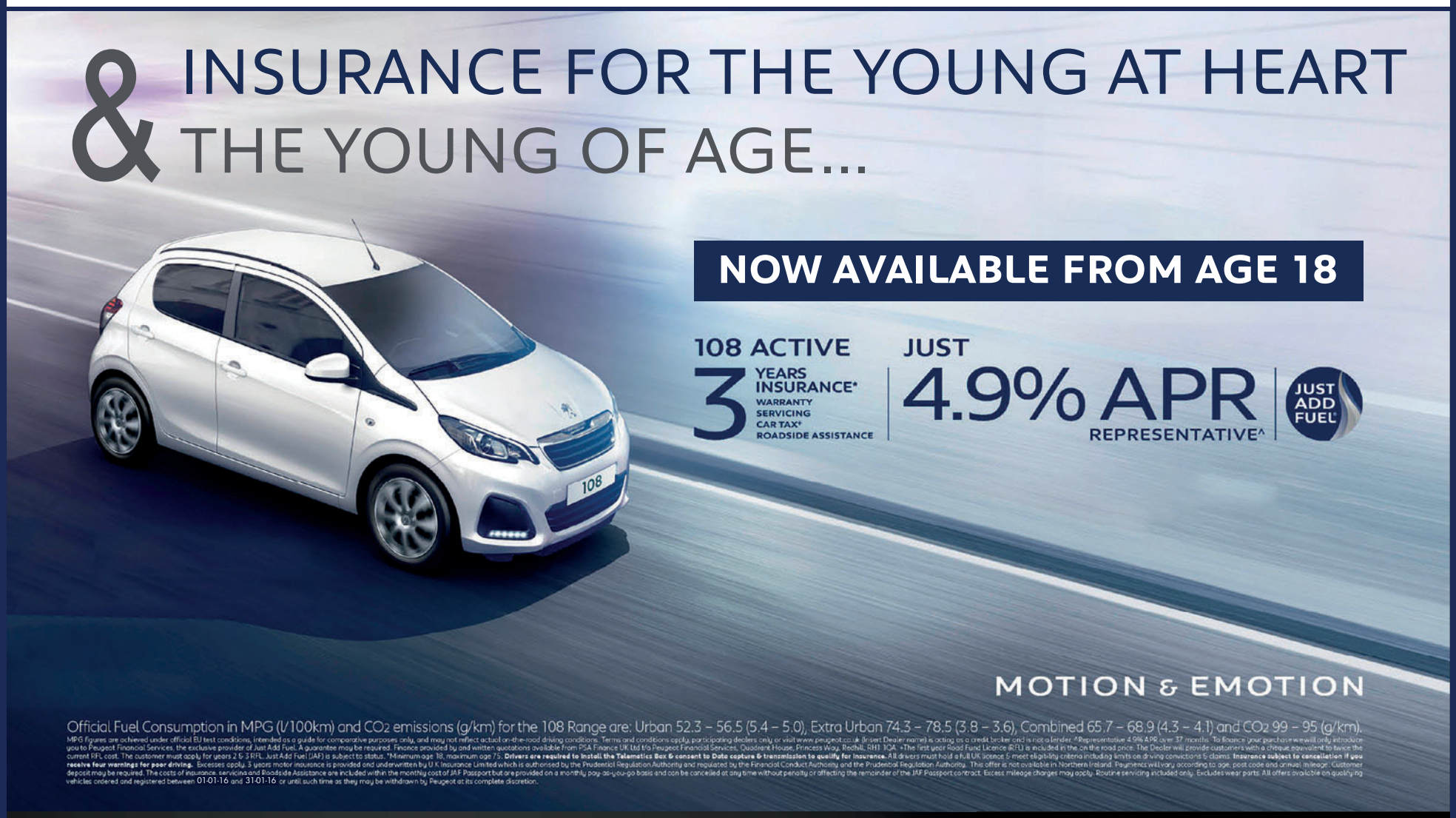

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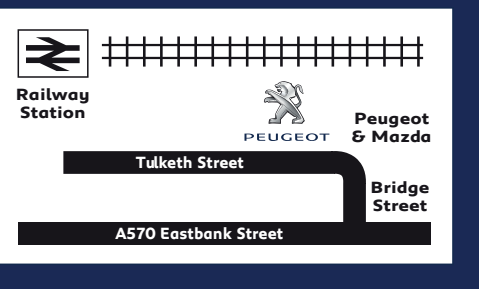

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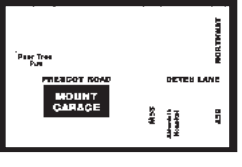

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A tasty Easter Monday treat is on the way

SKELMERSDALE travel to Matlock Town this Saturday before hosting Nantwich Town on Easter Monday afternoon for what promises to be an exciting encounter.

Manager Tommy Lawson will send his players into the Easter programme with confidence; two weeks ago his side beat Salford City 3-1 and followed that up with an excellent performance in a 1-1 draw at Hyde United, this prior to last night's (Tuesday) home game against Whitby Town.

After the game against Hyde, Lawson reported a clean bill of health for the squad and hinted that full-back Shaun Holden may be very near to making a return to the starting eleven, after recovering from an injury he picked up over the New Year.

Saturday's match in Derbyshire promises to be a good one. The two sides fought out a thrilling game at Stormy Corner back in September, Skelmersdale prevailing 3-2 thanks to goals from Danny Mitchley, Chris Almond and Louis Corrigan.

Two out of those three players are expected to be playing on Saturday and with only one place and one point separating the teams in the Evo-Stik Premier Division table there will be plenty to play for.

The game that kicks off at 3pm on Easter Monday represents an opportunity for Skelmersdale to take some revenge against Nantwich.

The Cheshire side beat Skelmersdale 1-0 on a very wet Boxing Day thanks to a hotly deputed 88th minute penalty that allegedly left the Skem players with a very bitter taste of injustice afterwards, denying them a hard earned draw.

The Nantwich match is Skem's last of the month and their first game in April sees another play-off chasing outfit come to Stormy Corner in the shape of Barwell on Saturday, April 2.

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Skelmersdale left to rue missed chances in draw

Hyde United 1
Skelmersdale United 1

ALL the goals arrived in a two minute period around the hour mark at Ewan Fields, resulting in a very satisfactory point for Skelmersdale.

Manager Tommy Lawson said: "If someone had told me before the game that we would draw I would have taken that, but in hindsight we could have had all three."

Skelmersdale had been the better side for most of the first-half and were perhaps a little unlucky to go into the break level having hit the crossbar and had a header go inches wide.

Tommy Lawson made formation changes after the interval and they initially worked when Skelmersdale took the lead on 57 minutes, however, a swift equaliser lifted the hosts and made it a much closer game in the closing stages.

In conclusion many would argue that a draw was the fair outcome but it wouldn't be a biased view to agree with Lawson's opinion.

The opening exchanges were well balanced with one thing crystal clear, there was going to be plenty of football on view from both teams as they both sought to create chances.

On 18 minutes Skelmersdale went very close to scoring. An exchange of passes put the ball at Vince Bailey's feet and from 18 yards he lifted the ball over home goalkeeper Sam Vince, the ball hit the crossbar and dropped down to the

Chris Almond

right of the goal to an alert Kenny Strickland, but goalkeeper Vince scrambled back to pull off a terrific reaction save to Strickland's goalbound effort.

On 24 minutes Max Hazeldine had a shot deflected away by home defender Laurie Bell, then on 27 minutes Vince palmed away a Louis Corrigan free-kick.

Probably the best chance of the half came in the 29th minute, Strickland drove in a corner from the left and Tony Rendell got himself above everyone at the far post, his attempt to tuck his header inside the post was misaimed by inches.

Tommy Lawson introduced Scott Bakkor at half-time and moved Hazeldine out into a slightly wider position on the right, the difference was obvious on 57 minutes. Bakkor dropped deeper and received the ball from a Skelmersdale defender, he made ground into the Hyde half then released the ball to an on the run Hazeldine on the right side, as he reached the outside of the penalty area the teenager sent the ball low to the far side of the box to Chris Almond, who after creating an angle with his first-touch sent a right-footed shot past Vince's left hand and into the net.

It was short-lived advantage and when Hyde substitute Sam Fitton took the ball midway into the Skelmersdale half there appeared little or no threat.

With nothing at all on from about 30 yards Fitton looked up and unleashed a shot that swerved all over the place, at first Skelmersdale goalkeeper Martin Fearon took a step to the left, before the ball pitched right in front of him and went to his right for the leveller.

The goal did give Hyde a lift and they started to have more possession, but Skelmersdale defended well and barring one excellent one handed save from Fearon on the 64th minute Hyde didn't pose a serious problem.

Skelmersdale had one more quality opportunity, but goalkeeper Vince soon frustrated Almond in the 77th minute, leaving the game to fizzle out in the late stages.

Away win keeps Linnets in contention for play offs

Harrogate Railway 1
Burscough 2

BURSCOUGH remain in the top five and after pick-ingup three points on the road thanks to goals from Paul Williams and Will Jones.

It was the second time this season that the Linnets have narrowly beatenHarrogate and on Tuesday night theyraced into a two goal lead in just 16 minutes.

Captain Paul Williams despatched a free kick and Will Jones finished from close range. Last Saturday, Burscough lost 3-1 away atSpennymoor.

Neither side seemed willing to go forward too often in the first half with play circulating around the centre of the pitch, but both sides did get some decent chances towards the end of the opening 45 minutes.

Nathan Fisher got first real chance for the hosts, heading wide a curling ball in the box by Andrew Stephenson.

Burscough also had several chances in the opening half, with Michael Monaghan sending a volley from 18 yards just off the crossbar.

The second half began and in less than 60 seconds Spennymoor has broke the deadlock when a run through the Burscough defence by Mark Anderson saw a low effort from the far right bobble into the bottom left corner.

But the lead didn't last long and two minutes later Burscough equalised through Liam Caddick, who latched onto a through ball by Michael Monaghan to hit low into an open net.

Spennymoor regained their lead 15 minutes before the end after a long spell of pressure through Andrew Stephenson, who slotted into the near post.

Moors soon ended the scoring and sealed the points when a free kick just outside the 18 yard box.

Next up for Burscough is a home game this Saturday against Northwich Victoria at 3pm.

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Ormskirk CC sign spinner Snowdon from Maghull

THE 2016 Med Imaging Liverpool & District Cricket Competition gets underway in less than a month's time, and there will be a new face to look out for, *writes Glenn Wallworth.*

Ormskirk have signed off spinner Jack Snowdon from Maghull, while congratulations go to the club's scorer Chris Rimmer who has just been appointed as Lancashire CCC's 1st XI scorer.

Meanwhile former Ormskirk left arm pace bowler, the New Zealander Neil Wagner, has signed for Lancashire. Wagner took 50 wickets for Ormskirk in their 2008 Premier League winning side and also weighed in with over 500 runs.

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